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The Tung-Ching-Shan Electronic Intercept Site, 25-25-00N 119-37-40E, is located approximately 5 nm southeast of Kao-Shan-Shih, 25-28-20N 119-33-20E, and approximately 45 nm south-southeast of Fu-Chou, 26-06-00N 119-17-30E (Figure 1). The site is situated on the summit of a hill 1368 feet above sea level, and directly overlooks the Formosa Strait. This site location is unique in that it is the closest high point on the mainland of China to Taiwan (Figure 2).

The Tung-Ching-Shan Electronic Intercept Site covers approximately 2 acres, and contains approximately 50 various antennas, numerous antenna sections and various on-site facilities. Detailed photographic analysis of photography, dated reveals the antennas at this site consist of 9 Discone Antennas, 8 Mattress Antennas, 8 Parabolic Mesh Dish Reflectors, 7 VHF Horizontal Double Rhombic Antennas, (including one still under construction), 5 Yagi Antennas, 5 possible Stick Masts, 4 Parabolic Solid Dish Reflectors, (including one with bulbous feed), and 4 unidentified antennas. There are also at least 5 mattress-type antenna sections leaning on or against structures through-out the site and one possible antenna assembly area containing construction materials.

On-site structures include 8 buildings, (one under construction), 4 antenna shielding walls, 3 excavations, (possibly underground entrances), 2 unidentified cylinderical objects, and a storage shed. The lack of security at this site, the presence of construction materials, the partially assembled antenna sections, and the apparent recent change in antenna arrangement and orientation indicate that this site is not yet complete and is currently under-going extension or modification (Figures 3, 4 and 5).

The location of the Tung-Ching-Shan Electronic Intercept Site together with the number, orientation and types of antennas, and the absence of any transmitting facilities indicate the primary function of this site to be passive elint intercept. The approximate orientation azimuths of the directional antennas indicate the major elint intercept effort to be within azimuths of Degrees. This sector, when projected across the Formosa Strait, indicates the passive elint intercept to be directed against north-western Taiwan with primary emphasis in the area of T'ai-Chung and Hsin-Chu (Tables 1 and 2). The presence of Discone antennas at the Tung-Ching-Shan Electronic Intercept Site indicate a probable Chicom attempt at intercept of Chinat Air-to-Ground-communications.

Analysis of previous photography, of this site, revealed some of the antennas observed were constructed between However, obliquity and or poor quality precluded detailed photographic interpretation.

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